

Living Insight

Have you ever wondered just how much power we truly have in the word of God? The writer of the letter to the Hebrews gave us some indication of its power and sharpness when he described it. We cannot afford to ignore the great salvation that has been given to us in God's word. It is sharp enough to divide precious relationships in our lives. It cuts into our lives like a precise surgeon's scalpel to remove sin and every weight that will hinder our progress. It has the power to change our evil actions into righteousness. Let His word work wonders in your life!

Grace and Peace through our Lord Jesus,

~ Ed

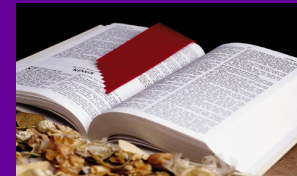
Prayer Requests



Operating Under the Influence

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Galatians 5:16-18



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Operating Under the Influence

I. Most of us do not like conflict in our lives.

A. We may even try to avoid conflict.

1. We maneuver around controversial subjects.
2. Some people may even try to change the topic.
3. Are we like the woman at the well?

~ John 4:19-20

B. There are a few people who live for conflict.

1. Most lawyers and politicians face conflict every day.
2. Soldiers and policemen advance toward conflict.

C. There is one conflict that we cannot avoid.

1. The Spirit and the flesh are always in conflict.
2. Both of them can have tremendous influence.
3. We will operate under the influence of one or the other.

II. Operating Under the Influence of His Spirit.....

A. The Holy Spirit is large and in charge!

1. He controls our actions. (Galatians 5:16)
2. He controls our attitudes. (5:17)
3. He controls our analysis. (Acts 10:28, 34, 47)

B. The Holy Spirit will guide and direct our lives.

1. We will speak God's word with boldness.
~ Acts 4:31
2. God's Spirit will lead us to lost souls.
~ Acts 8:29
3. He will also close a few doors in our lives.
~ Acts 16:6-10
4. His Spirit will even help us in our prayer lives.
~ Romans 8:26-27



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III. Whose Spirit Will Influence Your Life Today?

A. Barnabas chose to be led by God's Spirit.

~ Acts 4:36-37

1. He cared and he shared.
2. He gave freely and cheerfully.
3. His actions encouraged others.

B. Ananias & Sapphira were also led by a spirit. ~ Acts 5:1-11

1. Satan had filled the heart of Ananias.
2. He & his wife lied & died in the same day.
3. God's action put fear in the whole church.

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